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Mary Dalton, Administrator
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Dear Ms. Dalton:

At the June meeting of the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC), the committee voted to request information from each agency on the status of certain FTE for which funding was added in HB 2. This letter is our request for this information. Specifically, the committee wishes to know:

- 1) Which positions have been filled
- 2) The status or projected hire date of positions that have not been filled
- 3) Issues encountered in attempting to fill the positions

Attached to this letter is a form(s) for the positions for which the LFC requests this information. Please complete and return the form via email to the analyst listed on the form and to Diane McDuffie at dimcduffie@mt.gov in the Legislative Fiscal Division by October 14, 2005.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any general questions about this request, please contact Taryn Purdy at 5383, or at tpurdy@mt.gov. If you have questions about a particular update, please contact the LFD staff person listed.

Sincerely,

Clayton Schenck
Legislative Fiscal Analyst



FTE Information Requested by the Legislative Finance Committee
For the 2007 Biennium

General Information

Agency Name: Quality Assurance Division
Due Date: 14-Oct-05
LFD Contact: Steinbeck, Lois
Agency Contact: Mary Dalton (#5401)

Specific Information

Decision Package: 190
of FTE: 6.00

FTE Purpose: Payment Error Rate - Medicaid

FTE Information Required

Position FTE Hired For (Please provide position name e.g., Program Manager for Small Business Insurance Pool)	Hire Date
NOT HIRED	

If the FTE have not been hired: **The Federal Government has issued three proposed “final rule notices” in the federal register since last spring. Each one has changed the proposed PERM program and none have been formally adopted at this point. QAD will not hire these positions until the federal law is actually finalized. I would anticipate at least one more “final rule notice” before that happens as they have not yet re-addressed eligibility verification and they had a lot of comments on one of the early versions.**

When will the FTE be hired? (Be specific as possible e.g., December, end of 3rd quarter, etc.)

Unknown

If recruitment efforts were unsuccessful, what prevented you from hiring? (e.g. didn't get qualified applicants, vacancy savings, etc.) **Not applicable**

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General Information

Agency Name: Quality Assurance Division

Due Date: 14-Oct-05

LFD Contact: Steinbeck, Lois

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Specific Information

Decision Package: 3210

of FTE: 0.25

FTE Purpose: Medical Marijuana Registry

FTE Information Required

Position FTE Hired For (Please provide position name e.g., Program Manager for Small Business Insurance Pool)	Hire Date
Administrative Support – Medical Marijuana Registry	7/1/05

If the FTE have not been hired:

When will the FTE be hired? (Be specific as possible e.g., December, end of 3rd quarter, etc.)

If recruitment efforts were unsuccessful, what prevented you from hiring? (e.g. didn't get qualified applicants, vacancy savings, etc.) _____

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